

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1

WORK SESSION
August 4, 2014

CALL TO ORDER:

The Work Session meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order at 7:31 pm. A salute to the American flag and a moment of silence followed.

This meeting is being held in compliance with the "Open Public Meetings Act". Public Notice of this meeting was hand delivered to the Clerk of the Township of Ocean and posted at the Oakhurst Firehouse on February 28, 2014, and advertised in The Coaster and in the Atlanticville on March 6, 2014.

ATTENDANCE:

The following Board members were present: Thomas Reu, James Hiers, Scott Nelson and Stuart Newman. Fire District Administrator David Hiers, Fire Marshal Chris Pujat, District Mechanic Michael Fiorentino, and the Fire Department and First Aid Squad Officers were also present.

EXPENSES:

Reu - The Bills this evening were reviewed by the Commissioners prior to the meeting and found to be OK. Copies of the bill list were on the table for anyone to review. Reu offered the Resolution to pay the Bills totaling \$ 1,934.90. It was seconded by Hiers. There were no questions regarding the bills. Roll call vote of Newman, Reu, Hiers and Nelson were unanimous in favor of the resolution. Reu then offered the Resolution to transfer funds from the Operating Account to the Payroll Account in the amount of \$ 32,000. It was seconded by Hiers. There were no questions. Roll call vote of Newman, Reu, Hiers and Nelson were unanimous in favor of the resolution.

BUSINESS:

Old: There was no old business.

New:

Hiers - Looks like 37-1-90 will be out of service approximately 1 month. The DM is getting price quotes for the repair work. The insurance should cover most of the expenses. We do have a \$250 deductible. Since we know the cost will exceed the threshold, we are required to get at least 3 quotes. The quotes will in before our next meeting. Hiers offered the resolution to accept the lowest quote received after we receive them so we do not have to wait till our next meeting to act. This will expedite the repair work and reduce down time. It was second by Reu. There were no questions. Roll call vote of Newman, Reu, Hiers and Nelson were unanimous in favor of the resolution.

ORGANIZATION REPORTS:

-Fire Chief's Report: Chief Nelson gave July's monthly report. He reported 83 activities for the month. Average response time was 3 minutes 16 seconds. Average firefighters per call were 11, for a total of 952 members responding, experiencing 790 total man-hours. Mutual aid was given 4 times and received 0 times. The chief stated that they were setting up for the Italian Festival Tuesday night. He asked again for those who did not sign up, please do so and come out and help.

1st Asst. Chief Sorrentino – Engine 37-1-72 is set up for the fire truck rides for the festival. He needs drivers and help.

2nd Asst. Chief Kruse – stated that a drill is being planned for a building which is going to be torn down. The fire department was given permission to train on the building before being razed.

Captain Guarda – not present

1st Lt. Shamosh – no report

2nd Lt. S. Reu – no report

Fire Marshal Pujat – reported that the fire safety trailer is in service and will be used tomorrow night at the National Night Out and during the Italian-American Festival. He also asked that if any commercial fire alarm systems are taken out of service to notify his office ASAP. 37-1-58 & 37-1-78 modems are out of service and are being worked on. They should be back in service shortly.

First Aid Captain Beringer – gave the July's monthly report. He reported 46 total activities for the month, which 41 were emergency calls. Average response time was 7 minutes. A total of 36 Emergency Call Man Hours were experienced. Mutual aid received was 5 times and given was 0 times.

1st Lt. K. Dougherty – responded to an emergency first aid call.

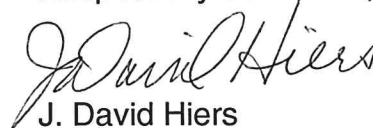
2nd Lt. P. Dougherty – responded to an emergency first aid call.

District Mechanic Fiorentino – reported that a new pair of bolt cutters has been ordered for 37-1-78. The old pair broke. He is working on getting quotes for the repair of 90. The new ambulance will be arriving shortly and he is making plans to have the necessary preparations done before it goes to the State to be certified.

There were no questions or comments from the audience.

There being no further to be brought before the Board the meeting adjourned 7:37 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



J. David Hiers

Fire District Administrator

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